PRESIDENT GOES BACK TO FRANCE

Left England This Morning **Crossing from Dover** to Calais

KING AND QUEEN AT LONDON STATION | And Supreme Court of Massachusetts

Wave Their Handkerchiefs as Presidential Train Pulls Out-Farewell -Starts for Italy Tomorrow.

this morning on a special train en route to France. King George and Queen Mary

Toad, was injured in the course of his duties.

Dr. Seelve, the railroud surgeon was and the Duke of Connaught accompanied called in to operate and mistaking Pur-Mr. and Mrs. Wilson to the station. Pre- chase for another patient operated on the mier Lloyd George was on the platform left side when Purchase's injuries were and saw them depart. The Scotch guard formed the guard of honor and the band on the right side, according to testimony. Later a second operation was performed on the right side. After Purchase reof the Irish guard played.

Ambassador Davis and Lady Reading. Mrs. cers, agents and servants. Wilson chatted with Queen Mary and shook hands with all present as the train pulled out, the King and Queen waving ADMIRAL SIMS TO their handkerchiefs and the band playing

as it left the station. President Wilson and his party sailed from Dover for Calais at 11.20 o'clock this morning. President Wilson arrived in London at 7.15 last evening from his Sunday trip to Carlisle and immediately went to Buckingham Palace. He was cheered by large numbers of persons who were proceeding homeward from business. Otherwise there was no demonstration, as the special train was not known to the public.

dining room at Buckingham Palace last can naval forces in European waters, night by King George and Queen Mary Secretary Daniels made this announce-Wilson was a private function. There ment was at the request of Admirat was no procession into the dining room, which was decorated with yellow, and that the navy department there were no speeches or toasts. The Grenadier Guards band played during the propriations for the war college in ordinner, but no national anthems were

President Wilson will go direct to Italy from Paris. He will leave Paris for Rome Wednesday night, arriving in the Italian Moved from Concord Institution to capital Friday. Rome is to be the only city in Italy the president will visit. He expects to be away from Paris a week, returning there a week from next Tuesodist college.

In order to win success a man must first fall in love with his work.

The world has no time for a visionary Lenine Government Concerned Over man until after he gets there.

Thursday, Jan. 2, at 4.30 p.m.-Regular meeting of the Ladies' circle.

Universalist Church

Thursday, Jan. 2, at 6.15 p.m. - A public supper will be served in the vestry

Thursday, Jan. 2, at 7:30 p.m.-The annual meeting of the parish will be held. Officers will be elected and other business, if there may be any, transacted, and re ports will be made by all the auxiliaries One Pavorable to Allies Said to be Orof the parish.

Red Men's Hall

Thursday, Jan. 2, at 8 p.m.-Pocahontas council, No. 4, will hold a special meeting. A large attendance is desired as there is business of importance. Friday, Jan. 3 .- Meeting Quoneckticut

tribe, No. 2. Adoption degree. Dance will be held every Saturday night, commencing November 93,

Odd Fellows' Temple

teams B and D.

Tuesday, Dec. 31, 7.30 p.m.—Dennis Reexemplify the degree. From 10 to 12, compelled to resume work. dancing, cards and social hour.

Masonic Temple

On account of influenza, the New Year's party for the united Masonic bodies, which was set for Wednesday evening, has been given up.

Thursday, Jan. 2, at 7.30-Regular meeting of Connecticut Valley Council, No. 16, kett, one of the Sinn Feiners elected to that Graham said it would be "adjusted conference when the officers arrived. R. and S. M.

DANCE

NEW YEAR'S EVE Tuesday, December 31

> K. of C. Hall EVERYBODY WELCOME

50c a Couple Extra Ladies 15c

Dance the Old Year Out

MORE UNITS HOME.

General Pershing Designates Several for Early Convoy.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31,-General Pershing today notified the war department that additional units with a total strength of approximately 15,000 men had been assigned for early convoy home. They include the 329th and 330th infantry. of the 83d division with a strength of more than 50 officers and 3,400 men each, and the 4th regiment air service including about 16 aerial squadrons.

SURGEON OPERATED

Gives Patient Right to Maintain Suit Despite Release.

apreme court today gave Edward R. Purchase of Springfield the right to Dinner Last Night Private Function maintain a suit for \$10,000 damages against Dr. Ralph H. Seelye of that city, growing out of an alleged unauthorized LONDON, Dec. 31.—President and Mrs. surgical operation. Purchase, a tool Wilson left Victoria station at 9.18 o'clock foreman for the Boston & Albany rail-

Dr. Seelye, the railroad surgeon, was turned to work he made a settlement Others at the station were General Sir with the road, signing a release which William R. Robinson, Vice Admiral Sims, included the railroad company, its offi-

HEAD NAVAL SCHOOL

Will Be Assigned to Newport War College on Completing Duty as Head of European Squadron.

time of the arrival of the presidential president of the naval war college at dence might be brought into the case rela-The farewell dinner given in the state present duties as commander of Amerihonor of President Wilson and Mrs. ment today, adding that the assign-Sims and that the navy department der to expand the work there,

PRISONERS TRANSFERRED.

One at Portsmouth

PORTSMOUTH, N. H., Dec. 31,-Thirty naval prisoners who have been day. While in Rome the president will confined at the state prison at Concord, be the guest of the Italian government, were transferred today to the naval It seems certain now that he will visit prison here to complete their sentences. Pope Benedict and also call at the Meth- Four of the number are serving life terms and the others terms ranging from from five to 20,

ATTITUDE IS ALARMING.

Peasants in Moscow District.

PARIS, Dec. 31.-The attitude of the peasants in the region of Moscow s alarming the Lenine government, according to the Petrograd correspondence of the Journal. Early in December, he reports, the peasants actively revolted and it was a week before they were subdued.

LIBERAL TURKISH CABINET.

ganized at Constantinople.

PARIS, Dec. 31.-A liberal cabinet favoral'e to the allies has been organized "Contratinople under the presidency of Fab Heddin. This action Turkish cabinet.

DISORDER IN WESTPHALIA.

New Outbreaks Reported in Coal Field Districts-Strikers Attack Soldiers.

GENEVA. Dec. 31.—New disorders have occurred in the Ruhr valley coal Tuesday, Dec. 31.—Bowling between fields in Westphalia, Germany. Armed strikers attacked soldiers guarding coal mines and both properties were bekah lodge will hold a special meeting to damaged. The strikers were finally

TO FREE SINN FEINERS.

All of Those Interned in England to Be on the books at that time a balance which Released Soon.

LONDON, Dec. 31.—The release of all the Sinn Feiners interned in England is expected virtually at once. Count Plunparliament in the recent balloting, already has been released

TO CONTINUE W. S. S.

Succeeding Years.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31 .- The treasury plans to issue long term securities into which war savings stamps and cer- tor Gates was sick part of the time the and the death of these tificates may be converted and also to examination was going on and that on rendered today by the public utilities continue the war savings system in his return be made an independent exam-1920 and succeeding years. The treas- ination and found a number of unvouchury now is working on plans for issu- ered orders which he had not found and

JURY CHOSEN IN WILLIAMS CASE

28 Called Before 12 Were Selected to Try State Bank Commissioner

ON WRONG SIDE CLOSELY QUESTIONED AS TO OCCUPATION

BOSTON, Dec. 31.—The Massachusetts Introduction of Evidence Against Official Charged with Malfeasance Likely to Begin This Afternoon-Specu lation as to Defense.

(Special to The Reformer.)

MONTPELIER, Dec. 31. The jury in the case of state against harged with malfeasance was completed diesex, a farmer; D., Waldo of Cabot, a retired farmer: H. J. Tuttle of Marshfield, a farmer; George McKnight, a farm-York city lawyer; D. E. Blake, a laboror; F. D. Banfill of Cabot, a retired farmer. The morning was occupied by examination of the jury, the state asking many questions relative to whether the jurymen could try the case with the respondent a state official as well as if it were WASHINGTON, Dec. 31,-Vice Ad an other person. Considerable importmiral Sims will be assigned to duty as lance was attributed to the fact that evi-The personal occupation of each and every juryman was closely questioned by the at torneys. Herbert G. Barber for the state and J. Ward Carver for the defense were the principal examining attorneys:

The present indications are that the

sume more time present auditor, Benjamin Gates, State its cargo can be saved. Highway Commissioner Bates, J. S. Jocelyn, chief clerk in the auditor's office and F. L. Pratt, an expert accountant who has LUCE SENTENCED

been examining the books. Much interest is being manifested in the probable line of defense. It is known that Mr. Williams has said that Governor Graas he, Williams, were concerned if he wanted to.

This has led to speculation on the probable line of defense and it would not be surprising if Williams should claim with the claim that Graham then pronot be surprising if Governor Graham the state's prison at Windsor. himself were called to the stand by the state. If he does this he will have three possible courses open to him. He might or he might refuse to answer on the

In his annual report for the year endhis other work and when the clerks in and literature in the Ebert cabinet, followed the recent dissolution of the "Very often it has been done a few days has gone to negotiate with the Poles at a time extending over several months," the report sets forth.

No examination was made during 1917, the report states, because the state board Wires He Would Support British Ocof health advised him that he should either stay in Montpelier all the time or move his office to Newport because of the epi-Newport.

On March 26, 1918, he began the regular ing to a Berlin despatch. examination of the auditor's books and according to the report, during the first two weeks he found that Graham bad drawn orders to himself since his last ex- Prominent Germans Taken into Cusamination to the amount of \$2,181.50, for which there were no receipts or vouchers showing expenditures, and there appeared alleged shortage in the Graham case is last week by the police assisted by 20 memabout \$20,000.

mmediately." Williams then determined to make "a more extensive and complete 'examination" which disclosed the fact that there "were orders drawn by ex- Au- Cause of Grand Trunk Wreck in Falditor Graham to himself during his term of office amounting to \$17,980.48, and there System to be in Effect in 1920 and were two orders amounting to \$3,000the avails of which he had-charged in two different highway accounts for which

no credit vouchers can be found." Mr. Williams' report states that Audi

LEGISLATURE NEXT WEEK.

Program for Opening Days at Montpelier-Convenes Wednesday.

MONTPELIER, Dec. 31.-The pro-

gram for the first week of the legisature has been announced as follows: Wednesday, Jan. 8, the legislature will convene and organize.

Thursday, the joint assembly will hear the retiring message of Gov. Horace F. Graham. Friday, Gov. Clement will be sworn

into office at 2 o'clock in the afternoon and deliver his inaugural message before the joint assembly. Immediately following the rising of the assembly will come the governor's re-

Friday evening a ball will be given by the Arab patrol. Gov. Clement and the state officers will attend.

BETTER TRAIN SERVICE SOON

New Schedule on Central Vermont in Effect Next Sunday-Improved Connections to the North.

Beginning Sunday, Jan. 5, numerous changes in the train schedule on the Central Vermont Railway system will Bank Commissioner Frank C. Williams, go into effect, but Ticket Agent David S. Carey had received no information regarding any changes in Boston & this noon, 28 men having been examined Maine service up to this morning. The before the attorneys selected twelve. The new Central Vermon schedule will afmry is composed of L. R. Wells of Mid- fect Brattleboro only in the matter of train connections to points in the northern part of the state. It will be possible to leave Brattleboro, northor of East Montpelier; W. E. Mills of Montpelier, Burlington, and St. Albans. as the Chanute and Bell Airway from Waitsfield, a farmer; Frank Fuller of Calais, a farmer; Edmund Eddy of Woodbury, a farmer; Eugene Buck of Mont- will continue to connect for these pelier, a stone mason; George Blanchard points. The 2,02 p. m. train arriving Montpelier, a bank president; W. H. from the north will connect with trains Berdan of Waterbury, a retired New over the Central Vermont road from the northern part of the state. Other train service will be the same as at present.

VESSEL LOST WITH SIXTEEN LIVES

Newport, R. I., on completion of his tive to the shortage in the auditor's office. Steamer Quantico Went Ashore Christmas Night in Storm Off Island

in Phillipines. are believed to have been lost when the air mail service. United States shipping board steamer state will not consume any great amount. Quantico was driven ashore in a storm of time in presenting its case, as the Christmas night at Pablas island. The charges do not go beyond those indicated, missing included passengers and mem-The defense may be depended upon to con- bers of the crew. News of the wreck reached here today. The vessel, which

ham could clear up the situation so far Soldier Who Shot Burlington Station Master Pleaded Guilty-

Given Ten Years.

BURLINGTON, Dec. 31.—John F. Luce that when he found that the accounts of Troy, N. Y., a soldier at Camp Devens of Graham, as auditor did not balance, who killed Albert M. Prentiss, station he called Graham's attention to this fact, master here, when the latter arrested him for stealing a ride on a train, pleadduced youchers which satisfied Williams, ed guilty to manslaughter today. He If the defense takes this line, it would was given a six to 10 years' sentence in

SITUATION IS CRITICAL.

admit that it was true; he might deny it, German Government Asked to Send ground that it would incriminate him Troops to Posen-Official to Negotiate. COPENHAGEN, Dec. 31.-The sit uation in Posen is extremely critical, ing June 30, 1918, Mr. Williams sets forth according to information from Berlin. that he has made examination of the au- The German government has been ditor's books for each biennial term from asked to send troops there and Herr Nearly 3,000 Officers and Men Reach time to time as he could get time from Landsberg, secretary of publicity, art

HINDENBURG FAVORABLE.

cupation of Berlin.

demic of infantile paralysis in and around Hindenburg has telegraphed to German a leave of absence. Many of them are the capital city that year. He went to industrial magnate, saying he would sup- from New York and New England. port British occupation of Berlin, accord-

MAKE 17 ARRESTS.

tody by Munich Officials.

MUNICH, Dec. 30 (Associated Press). Seventeen prominent men including one was not vouchered of \$5,575.41. The total non-Bavarian duke were arrested here bers of local soldiers' council. They were it is said. Calling the governor's attention to this at one of the largest hotels in Munich state of affairs, Mr. Williams' report says and are said to have been engaged in a

ADVANCING ON KIEV.

mouth, Me., Decided,

AUGUSTA, Me., Dec. 31.-A decision that a defective or "piped" rail was responsible for the wrecking of the passenger train on the Grand Trunk railway.

WARDSBORO.

ON AIRPLANE LINE

Board of Trade Sends Reso- ASKS INCREASE IN lutions to Vermont Delegation

WOULD IMPROVE MAIL SERVICE OF STATE

Scheme for Airplane Mail Route from Progressive Step.

Letters were sent today from the office of the board of trade to the Ver mont congressional delegation contain ing resolutions adopted by the board. They urge upon the representatives in congress the desirability of the establishment of an airplane mail service route by way of Nashua and Keene N. H., Brattleboro and Bennington, Vt., and Albany, N. Y., as a part of Boston to Seattle and Portland, Ore. This route is under contemplation by the postoffice department.

The resolutions set forth that the whole of Vermont would receive better mail service and in this way would receive a share in the benefits obtained

in this noteworthy step. have taken the matter up with the

postmaster general which states that the matter of the establishment of trans-Atlantic air mail service is held in abeyance pending the final vote MANILA, Dec. 31.-Sixteen lives of congress on the appropriation for

Following is a copy of the board of trade resolutions: "Whereas, the Post Office Depart ment is entering upon a program of mail transportation by aeroplane; and "Whereas, there is in contempla-It is surmised that the state will de. was used in the inter-island service, tion a Trans-Atlantic route known as pend mainly upon the testimony of the was badly damaged, but it is believed the Chanute and Bell Airway from Bos- of his sister, Miss Mary J. Putnam of 84 Meanwhile Mr. Parker, with the aston to Seattle and Portland, Oregon;

> "Whereas, such a route offers the possibility of going by way of Nashua, Keene, Brattleboro, Bennington, Alba-FOR MANSLAUGHTER ny. and West; be it

may receive better mail service and Mrs. Flora A. Martin of Monson, Mass,, the brick yard, Vermont itself deceive a share in the and Mrs. James Blake of Nitro, Va. benefits obtained in this most noteworthy progressive step.

"Resolution adopted by the Brattleboro Board of Trade.

"W. L. HUNT, President. "H. E. MOFFITT, Secretary." "Dec. 30, 1918."

TRANSPORT BRINGS WOUNDED AND GASSED

Newport News Aboard Acolus-Many from New England.

NEWPORT, NEWS, Va., Dec. 31 .-The transport Aeolus arrived here today from France with 2,900 officers and men, most of whom had been wounded or gassed. Although there were not many stretcher cases only a few of LONDON, Dec. 31 .- Field Marshal von the men were in condition to ask for

B. A. A. MEET MARCH 1.

Indoor Athletic Program to be Held in Boston Then.

BOSTON, Dec. 31.—The Boston Athletassociation announced today that it would hold its annual indoor athletic games March 1. The meeting will be the first of importance in the cast this year,

THE WEATHER.

Warmer Tonight, Tomorrow Snow and Colder.

WASHINGTON, December 31 .- The weather forecast: Fair and warmer tonight. Wednesday snow. Warmer in eastern Maine, Colder in New Hampshire and Vermont. Moderate to fresh northeast to southeast winds on the

Axel Carlson, 19, who says he lives in New York city and is on a touring expedition, visited Bellows Falls Saturday and was arrested that eve-

AN EXPENSIVE YEAR.

Government and War Loans Cost People Over 18 Billions.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—It cost the American people about \$18,160,-000,000 to run its expensive war government and make loans to the allies in the year ending today, according to treasury reports.

NAVY PERSONNEL

Daniels Wants Temporary Expansion of 250,000 Men for Year Beginning

Next July.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.-Secretary Daniels today asked the house naval committee to provide for a temporary increase in the naval personnel of 250,000 for year beginning next July, leaving the question of a permanent peace-time per sonnel to be determined after a detailed Boston to Seattle and Portland Char- study of complements for ships to be made during the summer under the direcacterized by Board as Noteworthy tion of Admiral Benson. He also sought authority to transfer 1,000 officers from the reserve force to the permanent naval establishment.

He also asked the committee to write into the new appropriation bill a proviion making permanent the war-time pay increases for enlisted men. This would give increases of \$6 to \$15 over the prewar scale, making the pay rate from \$36 to \$51 a month,

AUTOMOBILES DROP INTO BASEMENT

Clifford Peck of Westminster, Who Was on Top of Load of 3,000 Pounds of

Grain, Unhurt.

(Special to The Reformer. WESTMINSTER, Dec. 31. Clifford Peck of Westminster had a Officers of the board of trade also narrow escape today from a serious accident. The barn floor gave way and boards of trade in Nashua, Keene, and let two automobiles into the basement, out. While on his way back to the Bennington suggesting that they take one of which was a truck loaded with garage at 7.15 o'clock he met two lit-3,000 pounds of grain. Mr. Peck was

FUNERAL OF W. W. PUTNAM.

Held in Home of His Sister-Staunton Paper's Tribute.

ufacturers of Staunton, Va., arrived in in operation. In this way the total de-Brattleboro Sunday on the night train struction of the property was prevented, terday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the home efficient work. pieces from the First Regiment band, of nearest the door and was the only one which he was one of the organizers; a not seriously damaged. pillow of roses and lilies from neighbors: Cars which were badly burned were "Resolved, that the Brattleboro and flowers from his associates in busi- Mr. Parker's large passenger truck Board of Trade does hereby express its ness in the South and in New York. The with which he has been making trips belief in the feasibility of this aero- bearers were Arthur D. Wyatt, Carlos to Brattleboro, an International truck plane mail transportation and urges K. Jones, John A. Lindsey and Arthur E. owned by D. C. Vass, a Buick owned by upon its representatives in Congress Knight. The burial took place in the Postmaster F. A. Burditt, a Chevrolet the desirability of having towns in Putnam family lot in Prospect Hill ceme- owned by George T. Aplin of East Putsouthern Vermont served by this means tery. Those attending from out of town ney and a seven-passenger Jackson in order that the whole of Vermont were Thomas L. Good of Staunton, Va. owned by William Harbott, manager of

The Staunton Evening Leader in its notice of Mr. Putnam's death said: "Personally Mr. Putnam was a reserved, unassuming man, mingling little with the public, but very companionable with the few who enjoyed his confidence and his intimacy. He was of sterling worth and integrity, and generous in his support of worthy benevolent institutions. He aiways remembered the poor in winter with a liberal contribution to organizations dong charitable work, but few persons knew of his benefactions. He was also a friend of the Y. M. C. A. and the King's Daughters' hospital to which he contributed

MAKES FAVORABLE REPORT.

Situation in Archangel Not Believed to

Be Serious for Allied Forces. WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.-Favorable reports on the situation in the Archangel region of Russia, where some unofficial accounts have pictured the North Russian allied and American force as facing destruction at the hands of Bolsheviki in overwhelming numbers, have been given to the state department by G. A. Martiuszine, representative here of the Archangel government.

ADVANCING ON KISV.

Marching from Rumania.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 31 (Associated Press) .- A volunteer army and a French force are advancing from Rumania through Bessarabia toward Kiev, the Ukranian capital, according to a report from Odessa received here.

KILLED WITH SLED STAKE. Body of Rockland, Me., Woman Found

in Street.

ROCKLAND, Me., Dec. 31.-The body of Mrs. Harry E. Brown of this city was found today near Limerock street in the residential section. She had been killed with a sled stake in the opinion of the officials who made the preliminary inves-

tigation. Some Difference.

Inquisitive Old Lady-What differ

IN PUTNEY BURNED

Fire Damage of \$5,000 in W. E. Parker's Place of Business

OFFICE OIL STOVE WAS RESPONSIBLE

Brattleboro Jitney One of Cars Damaged-Mr. Parker Slightly Burned-Building Owned by C. L. Thwing-Some Engines May be Saved.

(Special to The Reformer.) PUTNEY, Dec. 31. This town was visited by a \$5,000 fire ast night, when the garage conducted by Walter E. Parker was badly damaged and several automobiles were practically ruined. The garage is a wooden structure owned by Charles L. Thwing. Mr. Parker intends to continue his garage business, but whether in the

present quarters or in some other location has not been determined. The fire started in the office while Mr. Parker was at supper, and when he opened the office door and rushed in to see what could be done the flames met him and singed his hair and eye-brows and burned his face slightly.

When Mr. Parker started for supper he turned down the flame in an oil stove which was in use to heat the office, and he supposed the flame went In reply to an inquiry a letter has on top of the load, but he was unin-been received from the second assist jured. The truck was considerably to be incredulous at first, but the girls were so earnest that he hastened his steps and found that the office was in

flames. Mr. Parker undertook to remove the oil stove, which was in flames, but the flames had progressed so far that nothing could be removed. He then notified the Cole paper mill and the The body of Wallace W. Putnam, of alarm was given and the steam pump the firm W. W. Putnam & Co., organ man started which put the hydrant system

and the funeral services were held yes- the men on the hose doing prompt and Prospect street. Rev. E. Q. S. Osgood, sistance of a man who was quickly on pastor of the Unitarian church, officiated. the scene pushed Mr. Parker's Ford car The floral remembrances included large out of the building. It happened to be

The engines in most of the cars will operate, but the cars are wrecks so far as the woodwork is concerned. Mr. Parker has over \$1,000 worth of supplies on hand, besides many tools,

and on these there will be some sal-

vage. He carried \$1,000 insurance on the stock and tools, but the cars were not insured, with perhaps one excep-The roof was burned off the front part of the building, but the structure can be repaired. A Liberty bond owned by Mr. Parker was destroyed and some war savings stamps which were his property were scorched, but they can be redeemed. Some paper money owned

silver money belonging to the club was recovered. The building was erected several years ago by C. L. Thwing and was operated as a garage by his son, George Thwing, and Dr. Harry Lawrence be-

by the dramatic club was burned, but

fore it was leased by Mr. Parker. BOXER DEAD FROM FALL.

Was Knocked Down by Opponent in Bout Last Night.

BOSTON, Dec. 31 .- Terry McGovern of Philadelphia, who was injured in a boxing match last night with Francis Britt of New Bedford, died at the City Volunteer Army and French Force hospital here today. His skull was fractured by hitting the floor when he was felled by his opponent in the sixth round. Britt was arrested early today at his home in New Bedford and was brought to this city for arraignment. McGovern's real name was Frank D. Lee, but when he entered the boxing name he took that of the late "Terrible Terry" McGovern of New York.

MAY SELL EQUIPMENT.

Military Units Authorized to Dispose of Musical Instruments, Etc.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31 .- Under a general order issued today by the war department, property owned by military units such as pianos, phonographs, libraries, athletic goods and such articles may be disposed of by the organization and the funds thereby derived be added to the unit fund. Should the